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EXCELLENT INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES

The State Government is very supportive of industrial development. In its endeavours to transform Sarawak into an industrialised State through the SIDP and SCORE, the State Government has continued to develop industrial zones and estates, and simultaneously encourages the private-sector developed industrial estates to cater for industrial growth.

The industrial estates developed are strategically located, taking advantage of the well-planned infrastructure such as located near ports or airports and a good road system. These industrial estates are well-connected by efficient network of transport, having adequate supplies of reliable water, cheap electricity and provided with a whole host of other modern and reliable amenities and facilities.

One of the premier industrial estates is the Sama Jaya Free Industrial Zone which caters to the needs of the high-tech industries. Sama Jaya is an exclusive industrial zone for the Electrical and Electronic industries. Currently, multinational corporations such as MEMC Kuching Sdn. Bhd., Hitachi Global Storage Technologies Malaysia Sdn. Bhd., Tiayo Yuden (Sarawak) Sdn. Bhd., X-FAB Sarawak Sdn. Bhd., Toko Electronic (Sarawak) Sdn. Bhd. and OMG Electronic Chemicals Sdn. Bhd. are operating in Sama Jaya Free Industrial

Some of the well-developed industrial estates are as follows:

Division	Industrial Zone/ Estate	Type of Industry
Kuching	Sama Jaya Free Industrial Zone Pending Industrial Estate Demak Laut Industrial Park	Hi-Tech with emphasis on Electrical & Electronics Mixed Light Industries Mixed Light & Medium Industries
Sibu	Upper Lanang Industrial Estate Rantau Panjang Industrial Estate	Mixed Light Industries Ship-building and Repairing
Miri	Piasau Industrial Estate Kuala Baram Industrial Estate	Mixed Light Industries Timber, Ship-building and other Mixed Light & Medium Industries
Sarikei	Sarikei Light Industrial Estate	Mixed Light Industries
Kapit	Kapit Light Industrial Estate	Mixed Light Industries
Bintulu	Kidurong Light Industrial Estate Kemena Industrial Estate Bintulu Light Industrial Estate Kidurong Industrial Area Jepak Industrial Estate Similaju Industrial Estate Sebauh Industrial Estate	Light Industries Timber-based Industries Light Industries Petrochemical Industries Wood-based Industry & Shipyard Heavy & Energy Intensive Industries Light Industries
Samarahan	Kota Samarahan Industrial Estate Tebedu Industrial Estate	Mixed Light Industries General Industries
Mukah	Tanjung Manis Halal-Hub Tanjung Manis Timber Processing Zone Mukah Light Industrial Estate	Halal-Hub Industries Timber Based Industries, Shipbuilding and Repairing Industries Mixed Light Industries

A. GOOD INFRASTRUCTURE

The State Government has built and maintained good infrastructure that ensures easy linkages by air, sea or land. These linkages are important for the success of the various industrial developments initiated by the Government. Kuching, the capital city of Sarawak has modern and fully-equipped seaports, airport facilities and road network system linking to all the major towns such as Sibu, Bintulu, Miri and Mukah and the interiors.

i. Road Networks



The industrial estates developed by the government and private sectors are supported by Sarawak's good road network. The network provides convenient linkages from the interior and coastal regions of the State to all major centres. Currently, Sarawak has 928 km of accessible trunk road system.

The Pan Borneo Highway links the North-East route from Sarawak to Sabah and Brunei, and the South-West route links Sarawak to West Kalimantan in Indonesia. The Pan Borneo Highway connects Kuching to all major towns and cities in Sarawak. This road system within the State is being constantly upgraded and public transport system improved to cater to the increasing traffic volume.

ii. Seaports



Senari Port, Kuching



Bintulu Port

The State's modern seaports such as Senari Port in Kuching, Rajang Port in Sibü, Bintulu Port and Miri Port can handle international and coastal shipping. All of Sarawak's seaports are well-equipped with multi-purpose berths to handle general and bulk cargo (including dry, liquid and gaseous). For example, Kuching Port can facilitate a full range of cargo handling and related activities including containerized cargo and dry bulk cargo.

Sarawak Seaport Facility and Capacity

Seaport	Berth Facility	Depth Alongside(m)	Container Annual Capacity (TEU*)
Kuching Port (Pending & Senari Terminals)	Multi-purpose	Up to 11 m	141,227 TEU*
Miri Port	General Cargo	Up to 5 m	14,402 TEU
Rajang Port	General cargo/ container, bulk oil, timber products	Up to 10 m	53,740 TEU
Bintulu Port	General, dry bulk and liquid bulk cargo	Up to 15 m	143,783 TEU

iii. Airports

Sarawak is well-served by international air connectivity through Kuching International Airport and Miri International Airport. In addition to these airports handling daily international flights, other airports located in major towns such as Sibü, Bintulu, Limbang etc., are handling more than 100 scheduled flights daily (direct connections and transit flights) within and outside the State.



Kuching International Airport

Currently, several commercial airliners provide air passenger services to and from Sarawak that include Malaysia Airlines, Royal Brunei Airlines, Silk Air, Air Asia and Tiger Airways. The international connectivity is a huge contributing factor towards the economic development of the State.

iv. Air Cargo Services

These airports are also hubs for air cargo services. Malaysia Airlines, which is the national carrier, offers a wide range of cargo services within Malaysia and to more than 70 international destinations in 36 countries in 6 continents. Besides Malaysia Airlines, other air cargo service providers such as Transmile Air and Air Asia Cargo are also offering air cargo services.

Total logistic transportation and cargo firms are available to provide land, sea and air transportation requirements. There are good logistic and transport supporting companies to provide comprehensive containerized cargo transportation services such as container haulage, freight forwarding, warehousing, distribution related services, port customs clearance and container repair, leasing and maintenance.

B. HUMAN RESOURCE

Sarawak has a young, productive and trainable workforce. Its workers have good working attitudes and integrity. Generally, Sarawak has a pool of educated, skilled, semi-skilled, young and trainable labour force to meet the needs of the high technology environment of the various industries.

These are the results of the State's good education institutions that comprise of International Schools, Colleges, Polytechnics and Universities to train up our workforce. In these institutions, the English language is widely used. In addition, these educational and training institutions have well-developed curriculums with technical and professional courses to cater and meet the ever increasing needs of the industries.



Curtin University, Miri



University Technology Mara (UTM), Kota Samarahan



University Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS), Kota Samarahan



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